

RENTON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

February 8, 2010
Monday, 7 p.m.

Council Chambers
Renton City Hall

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Law called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**ROLL CALL OF
COUNCILMEMBERS**

DON PERSSON, Council President; MARCIE PALMER; RANDY CORMAN; GREG TAYLOR; RICH ZWICKER; TERRI BRIERE; KING PARKER.

CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

DENIS LAW, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; MARK BARBER, Assistant City Attorney; BONNIE WALTON, City Clerk; ALEX PIETSCH, Community and Economic Development Administrator; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Public Works Administrator, IWEN WANG, Finance and Information Services Administrator, PREETI SHRIDHAR, Communications Director; SUZANNE DALE ESTEY, Economic Development Director; DEPUTY CHIEF TIM TROXEL and COMMANDER PAUL CLINE, Police Department.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Council: Senator Randy
Gordon - 41st District

Senator Randy Gordon stated that the 41st Legislative District includes parts of Renton, Bellevue, unincorporated King County, the Village of Beaux Art, Issaquah, Newcastle, and Mercer Island. He remarked that the City of Renton is growing and will become one of the most powerful and largest communities in the state. He also stated that Renton is no longer a one-industry town and is now a vibrant and diverse community.

Senator Gordon stated that he is committed to improving the physical infrastructure and the local "human infrastructure." He explained that through his work on the Education Committee he is supporting Renton Technical College and Bellevue College to help prepare residents for the jobs of the future. Additionally, he stated that he supports the "Working Connections" program that affords working moms and dads an opportunity to receive child care services that then allows them to continue to work. Concluding, he expressed his willingness to help the City in all of its future endeavors.

Responding to Councilmember Taylor's inquiry, Senator Gordon stated that he is deeply concerned for those citizens who are working, and who through no fault of their own, have come upon hard times and are now unable to meet their mortgage obligation. He stated that he has proposed legislation that would push the foreclosure period out for one year to allow citizens more time to make their payments.

Mayor Law remarked that Senator Gordon is well-versed with City issues, and the Council and Administration are looking forward to this new partnership.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Citizen Comment: Johnson -
Potential Annexation to King
County Library System

Ben Johnson (Renton) questioned whether the Library Board had six members instead of five on 7/15/2009 when the decision was made to recommend annexation to the King County Library System. He opined that the board did not have a quorum and that their recommendation is invalid.

Chief Administrative Officer Covington stated that the board had approved board minutes which effectively approved any resignations. Assistant City Attorney Barber added that it is the opinion of the City Attorney's office that the Library Board was lawfully conducting its business.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed on the consent agenda are adopted by one motion which follows the listing.

Council Meeting Minutes of
2/1/2010

Approval of Council meeting minutes of 2/1/2010. Council concur.

Lease: Iron Mountain
Information Management,
City Hall 4th Floor, LAG-00-003

Community Services Department recommended approval of Lease Amendment #3 to LAG-00-003, with Iron Mountain Information Management, Inc., for the fourth floor of City Hall, extending the lease term for 41 months, reducing the leased space, and lowering the rent to current market rates. Net revenue generated: \$611,495.96. Refer to Finance Committee.

Annexation: Benson Hill
Communities, State Funding

Finance and Information Services Department recommended adopting a resolution to set the threshold and state sales tax rebate for 2010, related to the Benson Hill annexation. Refer to Finance Committee.

Finance: Fiscal Services
Director, Hire at Step E

Finance and Information Services Department requested authorization to fill the Fiscal Services Director position at Step E of the salary scale. Council concur.

Transportation: South Lake
Washington Roadway
Improvement, WHPacific

Transportation Systems Division recommended approval of a contract in the amount of \$56,414 with WHPacific, Inc., for engineering services for the South Lake Washington Roadway Improvement project. Council concur.

Utility: 2010-2011
Coordinated Prevention Grant,
WA Ecology

Utility Systems Division recommended approval to accept \$30,000 from the Washington State Department of Ecology's 2010-2011 Coordinated Prevention Grant Program for in-house recycling and composting efforts. Council concur.

Utility: Stonegate II - Lift
Station and Conveyance
Design, Roth Hill Engineering

Utility Systems Division recommended approval of a contract in the amount of \$277,800 with Roth Hill Engineering for design and construction services for the Stonegate II - Lift Station and Conveyance Design project. Council concur.

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS**Finance Committee**

Finance: Vouchers

Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending approval of Claim Vouchers 290254 - 290551 and two wire transfers totaling \$2,480,591.41; and approval of 108 Payroll Vouchers, one wire transfer, and 763 direct deposits totaling \$2,586,542.08. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Citizen Comment: Asher -
Potential Annexation to King
County Library System

Beth Asher (Renton) remarked that the Library Board bylaws call for seven members on the board, and that four members would constitute a quorum.

Assistant City Attorney Barber stated that in the event of resignations, and when there may be less than seven members as specified, the board is not paralyzed and can continue to conduct its business as long as it maintains a quorum.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY TAYLOR, SECONDED BY PALMER, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED.
Time: 7:23 p.m.



Bonnie I. Walton, CMC, City Clerk

RENTON CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING CALENDAR
Office of the City Clerk
COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS SCHEDULED AT CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 8, 2010

COMMITTEE/CHAIRMAN	DATE/TIME	AGENDA
COUNCIL WORKSHOP/RETREAT (Persson)	WED., 2/10 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.	2010 Services Review & Impacts of Budget Reductions; Planning & Priorities for 2011 and Beyond *Merrill Gardens at Renton Centre, 104 Burnett Ave S.*
	THURS., 2/11 8 a.m. - 11 a.m. & 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.	Vision & Business Plan; Biennial Budgeting; Other Project Updates *Merrill Gardens at Renton Centre, 104 Burnett Ave S.*
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (Persson)	MON., 2/15	NO MEETINGS (COUNCIL HOLIDAY)
	MON., 2/22 6 p.m.	2010 State Legislative Agenda Briefing
COMMUNITY SERVICES (Palmer)	MON., 2/22 4 p.m.	Ben Johnson Appointment to Airport Advisory Committee; Human Services Priorities for Funding (briefing only)
FINANCE (Parker)	MON., 2/22 5 p.m.	Vouchers; Sales and Use Tax Revisions for Annexation Funding
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT (Briere)	THURS., 2/11	CANCELED
PUBLIC SAFETY (Taylor)		
TRANSPORTATION (AVIATION) (Corman)	THURS., 2/11	CANCELED
UTILITIES (Zwicker)	THURS., 2/11	CANCELED

NOTE: Committee of the Whole meetings are held in the Council Chambers unless otherwise noted. All other committee meetings are held in the Council Conference Room unless otherwise noted.